Recommendations of Surendra Nath Committee

168. SHRI R.P. GOENKA:
SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the five-member group of experts headed by former U.P.S.C. Chairman, Surendra Nath to recommend changes in the present system of performance appraisal, promotions etc. in the Central Secretariat Services, has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, the highlights of major recommendations made by the group and action taken/proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The major recommendations of the Group relate to the use of performance appraisal for the overall development of the officer and for his/her placement in an area where his/her abilities and potential can be used to best advantage.

Effect of Power Reforms on SEB's Losses

169. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per a recent report, Government have disclosed that the cumulative losses of the SEBs has come down by Rs. 5,000 crores in the last two years due to the effect of the reforms introduced;

(b) whether the Electricity Act was a necessary condition for overall improvement and viability of the power industry; and

(c) if so, whether Government have any other plans on the subject?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) During 2001-02, four States viz. Gujarat, Maharashtra, Haryana and Rajasthan have shown an aggregate cash loss reduction net of subsidy and net of sundry debtor as compared to the year 2000-01 to the tune of Rs. 2138.44 crore.